



# JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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**DRAFT Agenda**  
**Wednesday, October 9, 2013**  
**10:00 AM – 2:45 PM**  
Tacoma City Hall  
747 Market Street  
Tacoma, Washington  
Council Chambers, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

**1. Introductions and Welcome (15 min) ..... 10:00**

**2. Road Usage Charge Assessment Progress Report (45 min) ..... 10:15**

ESSB 5024, Sec 205 directs the Washington State Transportation Commission to develop the business case for the transition to a road usage charge system as the basis for funding the state transportation system, and to make a presentation to the JTC on the progress of that work by November 1, 2013.

*Commissioner Anne Haley, Washington State Transportation Commission; and Jeff Buxbaum, Cambridge Systematics*

**3. TNB Study Update (60 min) ..... 11:00**

ESSB 5024, Sec 204 directs the JTC to convene a work group to identify and evaluate internal refinance opportunities for the Tacoma Narrows bridge. Staff will provide an update on the study.

*Mary Fleckenstein, JTC Project Manager; Beth Redfield, JTC Senior Policy Analyst*

**4. Program B – Cost of Service Study (45 min, working lunch) ..... 12:00**

WSDOT will report on their 2013 tolling division cost study, which they will use to better evaluate its business model and the effects of its business rules, and to identify opportunities for cost savings and operational efficiencies.

*Craig J. Stone, P.E., WSDOT Assistant Secretary, Toll Division; Catherine Larson, WSDOT Consultant*

**5. SAO performance audit on CSC contract management (30 min)..... 12:45**

The State Auditor's Office will report on their recently completed performance audit of WSDOT's development and implementation of statewide all electronic tolling, WSDOT will provide their responses.

*Susan Hoffman, State Auditor's Office; Craig J. Stone, P.E., WSDOT Assistant Secretary, Toll Division*

**6. Mega projects review (45 min) .....1:15**

In March, WSDOT began a comprehensive program assessment of the SR 520 Bridge replacement, Alaskan Way Viaduct replacement and the I-5 Columbia River Crossing projects to review key project decision-making and its documentation to ensure accountability. Consultants hired to undertake the assessment will present their findings and recommendations.

*Ron Paananen, CH2M Hill; John Njord, former director of the Utah Transportation Department*

**7. Efficiencies study update (45 min) .....2:00**

ESSB 5024, Sec 204(1) directed JTC to conduct a study of transportation project cost drivers and potential efficiencies. The goal is to construct and operate projects more efficiently and at a lower cost, while ensuring appropriate environmental and regulator protections are maintained and a quality project is delivered.

*Beth Redfield, JTC Project Manager; Michael Hodgins and Allegra Calder, BERK; and Kathy Scanlan, Scanlan Consulting*

**8. Adjourn .....2:45**

**Upcoming meetings:**

- November 19, Vancouver Hilton, with WSAC
- December 12, Olympia
- January 8, Olympia

*Please note: Topics, actions, and times are subject to change.*